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The Honorable John J. McCloy
Chairman, General Advisory Committee,
United States Arms Control and
Disarmament Agency,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. McCloy,

I wish to thank you and Mr. Thomas Fina of your Committee staff for your invitation that a CIA specialist on Chinese strategic questions meet with your General Advisory Committee on 25 November.

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This letter confirms the oral notification we have given Mr. Fina that CIA will be represented by [redacted] [redacted] currently my China Intelligence Activities Coordinator. In this capacity he has been giving special attention to Chinese advanced weapons, and has previously been concerned with the subject [redacted] and as a senior staff member of the Office of National Estimates.

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I would suggest that his remarks to the Committee on the 25th include brief classified discussions of the Chinese advanced weapons problem, intelligence gaps concerning this question, and certain uniquely "Chinese" ingredients in Peking's strategic outlook, after which he can join Professors Barnett and Whiting in less highly classified discussion.

All best wishes for a rewarding Committee session on this most significant, if often inscrutable, Chinese problem.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard Helms

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